



**April 21, 2011**

Next Wednesday Mayor Ken Moore will be giving the **State of the City Address** at the **Factory** in Franklin. The theme of his address is “**Spirit of Franklin.**” The presentation will feature booths from every department on display during the meet and greet time beginning at 7:00 a.m. Breakfast has been donated by the **Franklin Breakfast Rotary.** The speech will begin at 7:45, hosted by NewsChannel 5’s Riori Johnston, followed by a question and answer section with the Mayor. **The Factory has donated the space for this event and the Marriot has donated coffee and linens for the tables.** Franklin TV will tape the event for rebroadcast and it will be broadcast live on WAKM. Videos for the presentation are produced by the Communications Division and Franklin TV. Special thanks to the committee members from the City who have helped with the event and event planning: **MaryAnn Buentello, Ray Foglia, Monique McCullough and Milissa Reiersen.**

Wednesday, **Interim Police Chief David Rahinsky, Deputy Chief Bruce Bateman, Deputy Chief Mike Jordan, Lt. Joann Willhite, and Sgt. David Prather** attended the **FBI’s Law Enforcement Executive Development Association Training Conference in Nashville.** Robert Mueller, Director of the FBI, was the keynote speaker. Director Mueller addressed law enforcement executives from across the Nation, stressing the importance of intelligence sharing and homeland security on the local level.

Get ready to ShakeOut! Next week on Thursday, April 28, at 10:15 a.m., all city departments will participate in a “**Drop, Cover, and Hold On**” earthquake drill. This will only take around five minutes. **More than one million people in Alabama, Arkansas, Georgia, Illinois, Indiana, Kentucky, Oklahoma, Mississippi, Missouri, South Carolina and Tennessee will participate in this multi-state earthquake drill, which is called “The Great Central U.S. ShakeOut.”**

Here is a brief rundown of what will happen:

- At 10:15 a.m., a supervisor will announce via the public address (PA) system or other method that the earthquake drill has begun.
- Employees are expected to correctly perform Drop, Cover, and Hold On, wherever they are ([www.dropcoverholdon.org](http://www.dropcoverholdon.org)) which includes the following steps:
  1. Immediately **DROP** to the ground where you are when the earth starts shaking. Earthquakes occur without warning and you will never know if the

initial earthquake jolt will turn out to be the start of a big one. DROP before you know.

2. Take **COVER** by getting beneath a sturdy table or desk or dropping to the floor near an interior wall, and cover your head with your hands and arms. If there isn't a table or desk near you, cover your face and head with your arms.
  3. **HOLD ON** to something sturdy and stay where you are until the shaking stops.
- A supervisor will do a head count following the drill

For more information on how to protect yourself, and to learn what NOT to do in an earthquake, please visit <http://www.shakeout.org/dropcoverholdon/>. Major earthquakes may happen anywhere you work, live or travel in the central U.S. The ShakeOut is our chance to practice how to protect ourselves, and for everyone to become prepared. The goal is to prevent disasters from becoming catastrophes. **Risk Manager Rodney Escobar is coordinating this exercise, along with the Franklin Fire Department.** If you have any questions, please contact Rodney.

**Chris Robinson , Senior GIS Specialist is this week's winner of the Mayor's parking spot. Chris was nominated by Carl Alexander of GIS.** Carl said, "I would like to nominate Chris Robinson for his hard work with the U.S. Census Bureau LUCA (Local update of Census Addresses) Program. LUCA is a decennial census geographic partnership program that allows the Census Bureau to benefit from local knowledge in developing its address database for the 2010 Census. Chris worked extremely hard updating, fixing, and verifying addresses in the Census address database before the last census. This helped insure that the Census Bureau had the most accurate address data for the City of Franklin before the 2010 census." If you see someone doing a good job, please take a moment and nominate them for this one week luxury. **Email [agoodjob@franklintn.gov](mailto:agoodjob@franklintn.gov) with your nominations.** We'll keep them on file for a drawing each Monday. **Chris, you can begin your parking reign this Monday April 25-29. Congratulations!**

Enjoy the holiday weekend. Thanks for all you do.

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